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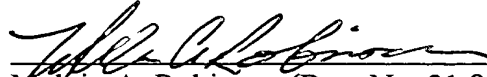
Enclosed herewith are copies of the PTO-1449 forms initialed by the Examiner and the PTO-892 (3 sheets) forms listing prior art cited by the Examiner in the U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/284,769, now Patent No. 6,253,054. The present application claims the benefit of the filing date of the application Serial No. 09,284,769, filed as a PCT application on October 16, 1997 and filed under Section 371 before the U.S. Elected Office on May 24, 1999.

Applicants hereby request citation and consideration of the listed prior art in the present application. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a), no copies of the U.S. Patents are enclosed, and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(d), no copy of the foreign patent documents and publications is enclosed.

Favorable consideration of the present application in view of the prior art cited herein is respectfully requested.

No action on the merits has yet been received in the present application, and so no fee is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(a).

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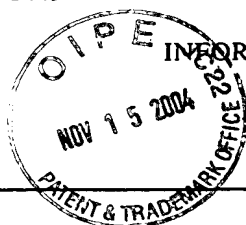
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